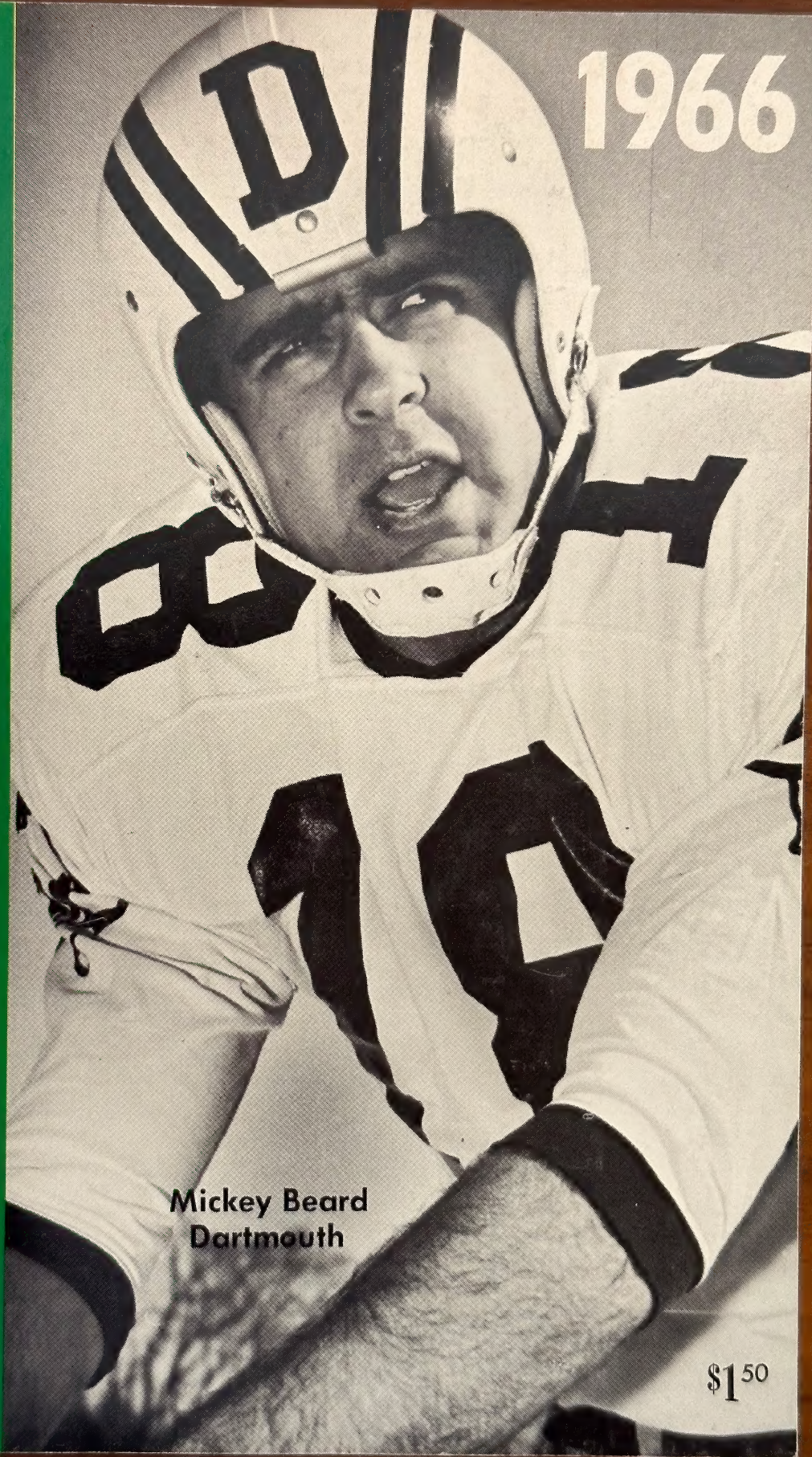


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NATIONAL CHAMPIONS, 1924-1965

For the third time in 12 seasons, the press association polls did not agree on a team as the unofficial national champion for 1965. The United Press International (coaches) named Michigan State at the season's end. The Associated Press (writers) waited until after the year-end bowl games to declare Alabama its choice.

The Football Writers' Association of America emphasized the deadlock when its selection committee voted its post-bowl games Grantland Rice Award to both Alabama and Michigan State.

Opinion, as expressed by the polls, was similarly divided between Ohio State and UCLA in 1954 and between Auburn and Ohio State in 1957. Since then, the polls had agreed for seven straight years, although other selectors contributed to a three-way "sharing" of the mythical title by Alabama, Arkansas and Notre Dame in 1964.

The AP poll of sports writers was originated in 1936 and the UPI poll of coaches was begun in 1950. Representing the combined opinions of observers across the country, they are the most popularly accepted electors to mythical national title honors. Prior to the polls, the Rissman and Knute Rockne trophies symbolized the championship from 1924 to 1936. The titlists thus designated:

1965—Ala., Mich. St.	1954—Ohio St., UCLA	1943—Notre Dame	1932—Michigan
1964—Alabama	1953—Maryland	1942—Ohio State	1931—So. California
1963—Texas	1952—Michigan State	1941—Minnesota	1930—Notre Dame
1962—So. California	1951—Tennessee	1940—Minnesota	1929—Notre Dame
1961—Alabama	1950—Oklahoma	1939—Texas A&M	1928—So. California
1960—Minnesota	1949—Notre Dame	1938—TCU	1927—Illinois
1959—Syracuse	1948—Michigan	1937—Pittsburgh	1926—Stanford
1958—LSU	1947—Notre Dame	1936—Minnesota	1925—Dartmouth
1957—Auburn, Ohio St.	1946—Notre Dame	1935—SMU	1924—Notre Dame
1956—Oklahoma	1945—Army	1934—Minnesota	
1955—Oklahoma	1944—Army	1933—Michigan	

NATIONAL RATINGS, 1936-1965

The most successful major teams of the past 30 years, according to the ratings produced by the press association polls, have been Notre Dame and Oklahoma. Counting 10 points for each season-end first place rating, 9 for second and so on, the Irish have accumulated 117 points, the Sooners 94 with the rest far behind:

1. Notre Dame .. 117	5. Ohio State .. 68	9. Army 61	12. Navy 50
2. Oklahoma ... 94	6. Tennessee ... 67	10. Minnesota .. 57	14. UCLA 46
3. Michigan ... 74	7. Texas 64	11. LSU 52	15. So. Calif. .. 40
4. Alabama 73	8. Mich. State . 63	12. Mississippi . 50	

The rules committee did not change its statute governing substitution. Virtually free entry is allowed. However, the two-way player isn't quite as extinct as the iguanodont, and still thrives at some schools.

In the coaching ranks, there are some new faces and places. Bill Murray left Duke and became executive chairman of the American Football Coaches Association, being succeeded by Tom Harp. A few days before spring practice began, Paul Dietzel resigned as Army coach and took the South Carolina head coaching position.

Other new coaches are Lou Saban at Maryland, Dave Hart at Pittsburgh, John Musick at Cornell, Joe Paterno at Penn State, Doc Urich at Buffalo, Frank Jones at Richmond, Vito Ragazzo at VMI, Jim Parker at The Citadel, Ray Nagel at Iowa, Jim Mackenzie at Oklahoma, Jim Pittman at Tulane, Mike Giddings at Utah, and Tom Cahill at Army.

One campus where there is absolutely no interest in any coach other than the incumbent is located in Tuscaloosa, Ala., home of a very successful citizen named Bryant. "Our seniors," he says, "can become the first group in the history of football to play on three straight national championship

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